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I will keep you informed as to the course of events and the measures pursued as far as I am able to learn them.

Respectfully,

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TURKEY.

Quarantine and fumigation at Bagdad.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *September 4, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of dispatch No. 153, of July 26, 1900, from the vice-consul of the United States at Bagdad, Turkey, in regard to quarantine and fumigation matters in his district.

Respectfully,

DAVID J. HILL,
Acting Secretary.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

[Inclosure.]

BAGDAD, *July 26, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that the local direction of quarantine has issued under date of July 22, 1900, the following circular note:

[No. 57—Translation.]

“According to decision of the Conseil Supérieur de Santé the quarantine of ten days imposed against productions from the Persian territory between Ravandouz and Zerbatis has been abolished.”

In consequence of that arrangement, Karadi wool, as well as other products, being imported from Persia via Chanakin and Pendjounine, are no longer to be considered as infected.

However, the order for fumigation shall be maintained by this consulate until August 22, according to instructions [p. 16, par. 8], contained in the quarantine law and regulations November 13, 1899.

I have to say that since the outbreak of plague over the frontier no Karadi wool has up to date been imported for shipment to the United States and that no fumigation whatever has taken place under supervision of this consulate.

Respectfully,

RUD HURNER,
Vice-Consul of the United States.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

Foreign statistical reports of countries and cities—Yearly and monthly.

ARABIA — *Aden.*—Month of June, 1900. Estimated population, 44,400. Total number of deaths, 155, including enteric fever, 39, and 20 from plague.

ARGENTINE—*Buenos Ayres.*—Month of June, 1900. Estimated population, 800,000. Total number of deaths, 766, including diphtheria, 4, enteric fever, 16; measles, 2; scarlet fever, 15, and 7 from smallpox.

BRAZIL—*Pernambuco.*—Two weeks ended July 15, 1900. Estimated population, 200,000. Total number of deaths, 350, including enteric fever, 2; measles, 10; whooping cough, 1; smallpox, 1; leprosy, 1, and 52 from tuberculosis.

BRITISH GUIANA—*Demerara—Georgetown.*—Month of July, 1900. Estimated population, 36,567. Total number of deaths, 138. No deaths from contagious diseases.